## OPINION 722

### *ORBICULOIDEA* D'ORBIGNY, 1847 (BRACHIOPODA): DESIGNATION OF A TYPE-SPECIES UNDER THE PLENARY POWERS

**RULING.**—(1) Under the plenary powers all designations of type-species of the genus *Orbiculoidea* d'Orbigny, 1847, made prior to the present Ruling, are hereby set aside and the nominal species *Orbicula forbesii* Davidson, 1848, is hereby designated to be the type-species of that genus.

(2) The generic name *Orbiculoidea* d'Orbigny, 1847 (gender : masculine), type-species, by designation under the plenary powers in (1) above, *Orbicula forbesii* Davidson, 1848, is hereby placed on the Official List of Generic Names in Zoology with the Name Number 1656.

(3) The specific name *forbesii* Davidson, 1848, as published in the binomen *Orbicula forbesii* (type-species of *Orbiculoidea* d'Orbigny, 1847) is hereby placed on the Official List of Specific Names in Zoology with the Name Number 2054.

(4) The family-group name ORBICULOIDEINAE Schuchert & Levene, 1929 (type-genus *Orbiculoidea* d'Orbigny, 1847) is hereby placed on the Official List of Family-Group Names in Zoology with the Name Number 384.

### HISTORY OF THE CASE (Z.N.(S.) 1506)

The present case was submitted to the office of the Commission by Dr. A. J. Rowell in October 1961. Dr. Rowell's application was sent to the printer on 6 December 1961 and was published on 10 September 1962 in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **19** : 311–314. Public Notice of the possible use of the plenary powers in the present case was given in the same part of the *Bulletin* as well as to the other prescribed serial publications (Constitution Article 12b; *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **21** : 184). The proposals were supported by Dr. A. J. Boucot and Dr. J. A. Talent.

### DECISION OF THE COMMISSION

On 27 April 1964 the Members of the Commission were invited to vote under the Three-Month Rule on Voting Paper (64)8 either for or against the proposals set out in *Bull. zool. Nomencl.* **19** : 312–313. At the close of the prescribed voting period on 27 July 1964, the state of the voting was as follows:

Affirmative votes—twenty-seven (27), received in the following order: China, Hering, Holthuis, Lemche, Mayr, Vokes, Simpson, Stoll, Uchida, Boschma, Tortonese, Riley, do Amaral, Miller, Obruchev, Sabrosky, Evans, Bonnet, Kraus, Jaczewski, Borchsenius, Alvarado, Forest, Mertens, Binder, Brinck, Ride

Negative votes—none (0)

On Leave of Absence—one (1): Munroe

Voting Papers not returned—one (1): Hubbs

#### ORIGINAL REFERENCES

The following are the original references for names placed on Official Lists by the Ruling given in the present Opinion:

*forbesii, Orbicula*, Davidson, 1848, *Bull. Soc. géol. France* (2) **5** : 334
*Orbiculoidea* d'Orbigny, 1847, *C. R. Acad. Sci.*, Paris **25** : 269
ORBICULOIDEINAE Schuchert & LeVene, 1929, *Brachiop., Fossilium Catalogus*, I *Animalia* (42) : 13

CERTIFICATE

I certify that the votes cast on Voting Paper (64)8 were cast as set out above, that the proposal contained in that Voting Paper has been duly adopted under the plenary powers, and that the decision so taken, being the decision of the International Commission, is truly recorded in the present Opinion No. 722.

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*London*
9 *September* 1964

## COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED VALIDATION OF *THUNNUS* SOUTH, 1845 (Z.N.(S.) 1652)

(see volume 21, pages 442–443)

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This is clearly one of those cases in which an old and completely forgotten name, rather than be put into use when discovered, is to be promptly placed on the Official List of Rejected and Invalid Generic Names. *Thunnus* South, 1845, must be kept as the generic name for the Tunas and *Thinnus* S.D.W., 1837, is to be buried once more. Collette and Gibbs' proposal deserves to be accepted and no objections seem to arise for each point.